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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 21, 2005, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Final Rejection and reconsideration of claims 3-7, currently present in the above-identified application, for the reasons indicated below.

The Remarks included in the prior response filed November 23, 2004 are incorporated herein by reference as, it is submitted, they correctly state facts that call for reversal of the present rejection of claims 3-7. The proffered combination of Anget et al. (US 5,252,801) in view of Heideman (US 4,825,321) fails to either anticipate or make obvious applicant's claims and thus does not support the Section 103 rejection.